



Town of Groton, Connecticut

Meeting Agenda

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Town Council

Mayor Harry A. Watson, Councilors Peter J. Bartinik, Jr., Heather Sherman Bond, Catherine Kolnaski, Frank O'Beirne, Jr., Rita M. Schmidt, John F. Scott, Paulann H. Sheets, and James L. Streeter.

Tuesday, August 07, 2007

7:30 PM

Town Hall Annex - Community Room 1

REGULAR MEETING

I. ROLL CALL

II. SALUTE TO THE FLAG

III. RECOGNITION, AWARDS & MEMORIALS

IV. CITIZENS' PETITIONS, COMMENTS AND CONCERNS

This is the portion of the Council Agenda where the Council welcomes comments from citizens. Each presentation should be limited to ten minutes or less, and citizens should, if possible, submit written comments. Presentations should be related to matters pertinent to Groton. Town Councilors will only ask questions in order to clarify the speaker's presentation and can respond during the Responses to Citizens' Petitions portion of the Town Council meeting. Citizens should make their presentations from the lectern and state their names and addresses for the record.

V. RESPONSES TO CITIZENS' PETITIONS, COMMENTS AND CONCERNS

VI. CONSENT CALENDAR

All matters listed under Item VI (Consent Calendar) are considered to be routine and will be enacted by one motion. No separate discussion of these items will take place, unless cause is shown prior to the time Council votes on the motion to adopt.

a. Approval of Minutes

2007-0182 Approval of Minutes (Town Council)

Resolution - Consent

RESOLUTION ACCEPTING TOWN COUNCIL MINUTES

RESOLVED, that the minutes of the Town Council meeting of July 17, 2007 are hereby accepted and approved.

b. Deletions from the Town Council Referral List

2007-0171 Resolution Approving Town Representatives in Outside Organizations

Referral

2007-0170 2007 U.S. Department of Justice Grant

Referral

2007-0175 Aquarion Easement

Referral

2007-0177 Millstone Emergency Notification Siren Replacement Project - Additional Site

Referral

2007-0178 TVCCA Supportive Housing Grant Program

Referral

c. Special Trust Fund Contributions

2007-0180 Special Trust Fund Contributions

Resolution - Consent

RESOLUTION ACCEPTING CONTRIBUTIONS TO SPECIAL TRUST FUNDS

RESOLVED, that the Town Council hereby accepts contributions to the Town as follows:

Marlene Terry Ziegler - \$100.00 - Library Discretionary
Pfizer United Way Campaign - \$69.54 - Library Discretionary
J.D. McClatchy - \$100.00 - Arts Cafe
Ceseli & Peter Milstein - \$50.00 - Arts Cafe
Daniel Potter - \$25.00 - Arts Cafe
William & Leslie Taylor - \$100.00 - Arts Cafe
C. J. Lewis - \$50.00 - Arts Cafe
Betsey Fox - \$25.00 - Arts Cafe
Hiroko Masamune - \$100.00 - Arts Cafe
Simon and Alison Holt - \$25.00 - Arts Cafe
Andrea Leiser - \$10.00 - Arts Cafe
Mary-Lou Brockett-Devine - \$25.00 - Arts Cafe
Sharon Sanders - \$100.00 - Arts Cafe
Mr. and Mrs. William Leavy - \$50.00 - Arts Cafe
Autumn Beaver and Maxine Richardson - \$1.00 - Arts Cafe
Robert Hempstead - \$25.00 - Maritime Academy
C. P. and C. S. Stocker - \$25.00 - Maritime Academy
Alvaro and Crystal Garcia - \$50.00 - Maritime Academy
Gerald and Joan Griffin - \$50.00 - Maritime Academy
Mary and Stanley Juber - \$50.00 - Maritime Academy
Robert and Lynn Wallace - \$25.00 - Maritime Academy
Kennth and Sally Price - \$25.00 - Maritime Academy
Edward and Brenda Merrow - \$25.00 - Maritime Academy
David and Rosita Giles - \$50.00 - Maritime Academy
Christopher Drake - \$25.00 - Maritime Academy
Robert and Melanie Emery - \$25.00 - Maritime Academy
Paulann H. Sheets - \$3,964.11 - Department of Social Services

VII. COMMUNICATION REPORTS (Other than Committee Reports)

- a. Town Councilors**
- b. Representative Town Meeting**
- c. Clerk of the Council**
- d. Town Manager**
- e. Town Attorney**

VIII. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- a. Community & Cultural Development - Chairman O'Beirne**
- b. Economic Development - Chairman Bond**
- c. Education/Health & Social Services - Chairman Kolnaski**
- d. Environment & Recreation - Chairman Sheets**
- e. Finance - Chairman Schmidt**
- f. Personnel/Appointments/Rules - Chairman Scott**
- g. Public Safety - Chairman Streeter**
- h. Public Works - Chairman Bartinik**
- i. Committee of the Whole - Mayor Watson**

IX. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**X. NEW BUSINESS**

- 2007-0171 Resolution Approving Town Representatives in Outside Organizations Referral**

RESOLUTION APPROVING TOWN REPRESENTATIVES IN OUTSIDE ORGANIZATIONS
WHEREAS, the Town of Groton makes contributions to outside cultural and service agencies, and

WHEREAS, Section 8.10 of the Town Charter requires that each organization have at least one board member who has been nominated by the Town Council, now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the following representatives are approved for Fiscal Year 2007-08:

SCADD - Dorothy Eames, 83 Pine Island Road, Groton
Women's Center of Southeastern Connecticut - Mary Turgeon, 178 Cedar Road, Mystic
Big Brothers/Big Sisters - Jane Moriarty, 77 Cottage Street, Groton
Sound Community Services (First Step) - Rosemary Robertson, 7 Carol Court, Groton
ARC of Southeastern Connecticut - Enrico DeMatto, 401 Sandy Hollow Road, Mystic
Connecticut Legal Services - Timothy D. Bates, Esq., 65 Front Street, Noank
TVCCA - Gayle Jones, 32 St. Joseph Court, Groton
United Community Services - Paul Mathieu, 34 Middlefield, Groton Long Point
Boys and Girls Club - Lynn Kelly, 60 Seneca Drive, Noank
M.A.S.H. - Marjorie D. Fondulas, 160 Mitchell Street, Groton
Eastern Connecticut Symphony - Julie Maisch, 42 Circle Avenue, Groton
New London Drop-In Service Center - Jon Gaudio, 393 Fishtown Road, Mystic
Noank Mystic Community Band - Susan Weiss, 13 Center Street, Groton
Mystic and Noank Library - A. Neil Brown, 79 Edgecomb Street, Mystic
Bill Memorial Library - Charlotte Barnum, 20 Chestnut Hill Square, Groton
Visiting Nurse Association of Southeastern Connecticut - Kathleen Crook, 804 Shennecossett Road, Groton
Groton Ambulance Association - James Streeter, 64 Pleasant Street, Groton
Mystic River Ambulance Association - Richard Green, 146 Breezy Knoll, Mystic

Legislative History

7/16/2007	Mayor	Referred	Town Council Personnel/Appointments/Rules Resolution
7/24/2007	Town Council	Recommended for a	
	Personnel/Appointments/Rules Resolution	/Legislation Committee	

- 2007-0170 2007 U.S. Department of Justice Grant Referral**

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A JUSTICE ASSISTANCE GRANT

WHEREAS, the Town of Groton has made good use in past years of the U.S. Justice Assistance Grants program, and

WHEREAS, grants under the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance program can be used to purchase equipment and technology in support of basic law enforcement work, and

WHEREAS, digital in-car camera systems have proven useful across the country both in capturing evidence and in recording the crucially important actions of law officers, suspects, and other persons, now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Town Manager may apply for a Justice Assistance Grant of \$11,481 for digital cameras to be installed in Town police vehicles.

Legislative History

7/6/2007	Mayor	Referred	Town Council Committee of the
7/24/2007	Town Council Committee of the Whole	Recommended for a Resolution	

2007-0175 Aquarion Easement Referral

RESOLUTION APPROVING AN EASEMENT IN FAVOR OF THE AQUARION WATER COMPANY

WHEREAS, the Aquarion Water Company of Connecticut provides water generally to the eastern portion of Groton, including all of Mystic, and

WHEREAS, a utility easement is needed for the water company to provide service and a new water main to the Northeast Academy School that is currently under construction, now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Town Manager may grant a utility easement, and any required ancillary documents, in favor of Aquarion Water Company of Connecticut and may pay, from any available funds, necessary charges for the inspection, flushing and engineering work for the Town's portion of the new water main.

Legislative History

7/18/2007	Mayor	Referred	Town Council Committee of the
7/24/2007	Town Council Committee of the Whole	Discussed	

Acting Town Manager Ackerman noted that this referral involves an easement with Aquarion Water Company related to Northeast Academy School. The Town Attorney has determined that the original referendum did not authorize this easement.

7/24/2007	Town Council Committee of the Whole	Recommended for a Resolution
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2007-0177 Millstone Emergency Notification Siren Replacement Project - Additional Site Referral

RESOLUTION APPROVING AN EASEMENT FOR THE INSTALLATION OF AN EMERGENCY NOTIFICATION SIREN

WHEREAS, improvement of the coverage of sirens and relocation of existing sites may require a series of easements by the Town in favor of the electric company, Dominion Nuclear, Connecticut, Inc., and

WHEREAS, additional notification sirens connected to the Millstone electric generating plant would provide better coverage and protection in the Fort Hill Homes area, now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Town Manager may grant easements on a parcel of Town of Groton property, on the south side of Industrial Drive east of the intersection with Depot Road.

Legislative History

7/18/2007	Mayor	Referred	Town Council Committee of the
7/24/2007	Town Council Committee of the Whole	Discussed	

Joe Sastre described the proposed location of the additional siren on Industrial Drive.

7/24/2007	Town Council Committee of the Whole	Recommended for a Resolution
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2007-0178 TVCCA Supportive Housing Grant Program Referral

RESOLUTION APPROVING TVCCA/HUD SUPPORTIVE HOUSING PROGRAM GRANT

an ongoing problem for Groton and neighboring communities, and

WHEREAS, homeless persons with disabilities and homeless families in which at least one member is disabled require extensive counseling, support and case management services, and

WHEREAS, the Supportive Housing Program, operated by TVCCA as the grantee of record with the Federal Department of Housing and Urban Development, provides funding to enable agencies and municipalities to provide counseling, support and case management services via participation in the Housing Collaborative Network,
therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Town Council authorizes the Town Manager, Mark R. Oefinger, to enter into an agreement with Thames Valley Council for Community Action, Inc. to accept grant funding in the amount of \$9000 to conduct a Supportive Housing Program in Groton for the period of February 1, 2007 through January 31, 2008 and to utilize said funding to supplant a portion of the salaries and related fringe benefits of selected Groton Human Services staff, who shall provide counseling, support and case management services to the specified Groton client population via participation in the Housing Collaborative Network.

Legislative History

7/19/2007	Mayor	Referred	Town Council Committee of the Whole
7/24/2007	Town Council Committee of the Whole	Recommended for a Resolution	

XI. OTHER BUSINESS

XII. ADJOURNMENT